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HENRY BARLEY, SON OF MR. AND MRS. EARL M. BARLEY, Lancaster R2, was pulling tobacco plants while Tomas Melendez, of Puerto Rico pulls plants for transplanting. Many Lancaster county farmers this week, the Barleys were planting tobacco and Earl Barley plans to plant ten acres of tobacco this year. Last year he planted 30 acres, but is cutting acreage this year for several reasons. He believes prospects look poor, labor is scarce and high priced, and he has his 1960 tobacco crop in storage. Tobacco beds throughout the county are in good condition with many plants ready for transfer to the field. —L. F. PHOTO

Farmer Holds '60 Tobacco For His Asking Price

There is at least one Lancaster County farmer who means it when he says he will hold his tobacco until he gets his asking price.

Earl M. Barley, Lancaster R2, who farms between Central Manor and Letort, is planting his 1961 tobacco crop. His 1960 crop is still in his tobacco shed.

Barley put a price on his tobacco crop, as did several of his neighbors, but the tobacco companies failed to pay what he asked. As usually happens, the neighbors took the offered price from the buyers rather than take a chance that the price would come up to the figured agreed upon.

Barley, who also grows potatoes, tomatoes and feed grains and hay for his fattening steers plans a cut back in his tobacco acreage this year, but not all because he has not sold his last year's crop. From the 30 acres he grew last year, the crop this year will be cut to about 10 acres, (Turn to page 14)

County Home Economist Hired To Begin Duties Here June 19

Marjorie Jane Thurston has been named assistant home economist in Lancaster County.

Dr. H. R. Albrecht, director of the Agricultural and Home Economics Extension Service at the Pennsylvania State University, in announcing her appointment, said she will begin her duties June 19 and that she will assist with the county's adult and 4-H homemaking programs.

Miss Thurston, a native of Westmoreland County, is a graduate of Greensburg high school. She received her bachelor of science in home

economics from the Pennsylvania State University. At Penn State, Miss Thurston was a member of the Home Economics club and the society for the advancement of management. Her work with WDFM, the educational radio station, was also done during her undergraduate days.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Thurston, she was a 4-H club member for

Former County Future Farmer Begins Extension Assignment

University Park, Pa., June 10—Glenn A. Shirk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman A. Shirk, Quarryville R1, today named as assistant county agent by Penn State University, effective June 19.

H. R. Albrecht, director of extension at Penn State University, said Shirk will work in Somerset county, with offices in the county courthouse, Somerset. Shirk will be a member of the extension staff headed by county agent James A. Boc-

Shirk was graduated from Pennsylvania State in dairy production and on June 10 will receive his master of science degree for graduate work in the same subject.

While in college he was a member of the Student Council, the Science Club, Coaly Alpha Zeta Fraternity, Gamma Sigma Delta, culture honorary, and Penn State Farmer staff. He was active in intra-mural

and held two scholarships by the Pennsylvania State & Light Co. and Sears

Roebuck Foundation, and during graduate study was an assistant in the Dairy Dept. His thesis dealt with the effects of spring clipping and stage of maturity at first cutting on yield and nutritive



GLENN A. SHIRK

value of first and second cutting mixed hays.

Reared on a farm near Quarryville, Shirk had ten years of 4-H Club work. He (Turn to page 13)

Elizabethtown Hires Ag Teacher

Elvin Hess, Elizabethtown, has been elected teacher of vocational agriculture in the Elizabethtown Area High School, it was learned this week.

He will replace Marlin Henninger who has resigned to return to Lykens Valley, Dauphin County, to enter the feed mill and farm machinery business with his father and brother. Henninger organized the vocational agriculture department at the high school two years ago.

Hess, a native Lancaster Countian, graduated from Penn Manor High School in (Turn to Page 7)

4-H Camp-Out Is Cancelled

The three-day camping session scheduled by the Lancaster County 4-H clubs has been cancelled, it was announced this week.

Scheduled to be held June 13 to 16 at Camp Chiquetan the 4-H camp was cancelled because of lack of interest on the part of 4-H club members a spokesman for the county extension service said.

Annual Cooperative Youth Tour Will Not Be Held This Summer

The annual summer tour for farm youth, sponsored by the Lancaster County Council of Farmer Cooperatives, will not be held this summer, it was announced this week.

To replace the tour the county group will cooperate with the Pennsylvania Association of Farmer Cooperatives in a co-op training conference for youth at Juniata College, Huntingdon, in late summer.

The County Council of farmer cooperatives, with Cranford, P. Brantley of Southeastern Pennsylvania Artificial Breeders Cooperative as chairman, will pay the registra-

tion fees for county farm youths to attend the three day conference.

Competition by county youths to attend the American Institute of Cooperation, the agency responsible for the Juniata College conference, will be on a state basis this year, a spokesman for county council said. Lancaster County will not send a representative. (Turn to page 13)

David Lichty Given Award

C. David Lichty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lichty, Paradise, was presented the American Agriculturalist Foundation Award at commencement exercises at Pequea Valley High School Friday night.

The award, presented to the senior in vocational agri-



DAVID LICHTY

culture showing the greatest achievement and most accomplishment in agriculture during the year, carries with it a certificate and a book entitled, "How To Write and Speak for Rural Audiences".

Lichty, the fourth senior in his school to win the annual award, earlier in the year won the Keystone Farmer degree in the Future Farmers of America. He also was given the DeKalb award for agricultural excellence in his school.

The young farmer is building a herd of Holstein dairy (Turn to page 13)



MISS THURSTON

nine years She is a member of the Pennsylvania and the American Home Economics Association. During the summer of 1960, she assisted with the 4-H Club program in Fayette County.

In Lancaster County, Miss Thurston will be associated with Mrs. Norma DeLellis, associate home economist, and M. M. Smith, Victor Plastow, Winthrop Merriam and Arnold Lucke, county agricultural agents.

FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday

Temperatures for the next five days will average two to six degrees below the normal range of 60 at night to 81 in the afternoon. Cooler temperatures are expected today with cool temperatures throughout the period. Little significant day to day variations are expected. Precipitation may total 1/2 inch or more falling mainly as showers Sunday and Monday.

FARM CALENDAR

12—Joint meeting of York and Lancaster county baby beef club at farm of Edward Rishel of York
10 p.m. - County 4-H council meets at the Poultry Center, Roseville Road.
12—8:00 p.m. - Meeting of the Lancaster County Soil Conservation District Directors in the County Court House.
10 p.m. - County 4-H council meets in the Poultry Center, Roseville Road.
12:30 bypass. Executive committee election.
13-15—FFA week at Penna. State University. (Turn to page 14)